(c) Under the Tenth Five Year Plan, separate funds amounting to Rs. 700 crores have been allocated for Urban Health Projects, which is targeted towards Urban Poor specially people living in Urban slums and other vulnerable groups.

Affairs of AIIMS mortuary

784. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the incident that happened at AIIMS mortuary on 27th May where a male body was handed over to the relatives instead of woman;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the relatives of the deceased woman were not allowed to identify the body, for not paying money to the attendants; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken, if any, against the guilty staff?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) An incident of releasing a dead body by mistake from AIIMS mortuary happened on 27th May, 2003. The matter was immediately enquired by senior faculty members. On the recommendations of the enquiry committee, the official concerned, responsible for this mistake has been transferred. The suggestions of the enquiry committee have been implemented to prevent such incident.

Non-Cooperation in Pulse Polio Programme

785. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 1163 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd March, 2003 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that minority community, particularly in rural areas of Uttar Pradesh, has not been co-operating with the workers deputed for Pulse Polio Immunization Programme, for giving polio drops to the children and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(b) the steps taken or proposed to ensure that all the children upto the age of five are covered by the Programme in the State so as to eradicate this disease?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) All communities are generally cooperating with the staff deputed for immunization. However, there are some families that are not reached for the following reasons:—

- Locked houses
- Migration
- Unwillingness to immunize due to personal reasons
- Misconceptions, lack of understanding of why repeated doses are required.

Data available with District administrations are being used to reach unreached families and all efforts are being made to mobilize and convince these families regarding the importance and urgency of immunizing every child under-5 during every single Polio Sunday (polio immunization day).

(b) Sustained and consistent efforts are being taken to mobilize all communities through local State and national efforts. At the national level mass media is being used extensively both through Government and partner agencies' efforts. At the State level the Government is fully geared up to plan and organize national and supplementary immunization activities; at the district level social mobilization coordinators are constantly on the move to provide information to families, convince them about why repeated immunization of under-5s is necessary, strengthen partnerships for polio eradication and mobilize all communities to meet the national goal. The District Task Forces have been set up under the chairmanship of the District collectors to plan, implement and monitor all pulse polio immunization activities.

Patients without access to doctors

786. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether World Bank, in the report under 'Poverty Net', has